President Stonecipher announced that the Council is still abiding by Governor Inslee's Stay Home Stay Healthy order, and as a result, City Council meetings will continue to be held remotely with all meetings scheduled at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday, except the fourth Wednesday of the month when the meeting is scheduled at 12:30 p.m. She encouraged citizens to submit comments and concerns by email to <a href="mailto:council@everettwa.gov">council@everettwa.gov</a> prior to the meeting or to call the Council office at 425-257-8703. President Stonecipher stated that live public comment will be accepted one-half hour before the start of the meeting by calling 425.616.3920, Conference ID 551 113 267#. If citizens have difficulty calling in or connecting, please contact <a href="mailto:dwilliams@everettwa.gov">dwilliams@everettwa.gov</a>. Individuals may also call 425.616.3920 to listen to the Council meetings, Conference ID 724 887 726#. Citizens are encouraged to view meetings live on Comcast Channel 21, Frontier Channel 29, and on the City website at <a href="www.everettwa.gov/citycouncil">www.everettwa.gov/citycouncil</a>.

The regular meeting of the Everett City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m., January 13, 2021, Council President Stonecipher presiding. Upon roll call, it was found that Mayor Franklin and Council Members Roberts, Murphy, Moore, Vogeli, Bader, Stonecipher, and Tuohy were present.

The minutes of the January 6, 2021. City Council meeting were approved as printed.

#### **MAYOR**

## **PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Franklin shared a proclamation proclaiming Monday, January 18, 2021, as Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Celebration Day. She encouraged all people to honor the memory of Dr. King, and to put his teachings into action with the commitment to the basic principles of freedom, justice and equality for all.

## APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

Moved by Council Member Tuohy, seconded by Council Member Moore, to concur with the following appointments:

## Citizens Advisory Board

- Reppointment of Charles Adkins to Position 2 for a six-year term ending December 31, 2026
- Reappointment of Demba Baldeh to Position 7 for a six-year term ending December 31, 2026

## **Cultural Arts Commission**

- Appointment of Aaron-Jeramee E. Alonso to Position 2 for a six-year term ending December 31, 2026
- Appointment of MaryAnn Darby to Position 3 for the remainder of a six-year term ending December 31, 2025
- Appointment of Ruben Trujillo to Alternate Position 1 for a six-year term ending December 31, 2026

## **Diversity Advisory Board**

- Appointment Tamara Trajkovski Kondzic to Position 9 for the remainder of a two-year term ending September 30, 2021
- Appointment of Grace Martinez to Position 12 for the remainder of a two-year term ending September 30, 2021
- Appointment of Natalia Tune to Position 13 for the remainder of a twoyear term ending September 30, 2021
- Appointment of Terry Lott, Jr. to Position 15 for the remainder of a two-year term ending September 30, 2021

#### **Historical Commission**

- Appointment of Patrick Hall to Position 2 for a six-year term ending December 31, 2026
- Appointment of Aria Jayne to Alternate Position 1 for the remainder of six-year term ending December 31, 2022

## Library Board of Trustees

- Appointment of Diane Belote to Position 2 for a five-year term ending December 31, 2025
- Appointment of Nicholas (Nick) Shekeryk to Position 3 for a five-year term ending December 31, 2025

## Lodging Tax Advisory Committee:

- Reappointment of Sheldon Johnson to Position 1 for a four-year term ending December 31, 2024
- Appointment of Gael Gebow to Position 2 for the remainder of a fouryear term ending December 31, 2023

## Board of Park Commissioners:

 Reappointment of Linda War Bonnet to Position 2 for a six-year term ending December 31, 2026

## Planning Commission:

- Reappointment of Alex Lark to Position 1 Alternate for a six-year term ending December 31, 2026
- Appointment of Charles Adkins to Position 2 Alternate for a remainder of a six-year term ending December 31, 2024
- Appointment of Michael Finch to Position 2 for a six-year term ending December 31, 2026

## Citizens Commission on Salaries of Elected Officials

- Appointment of John Monroe to Position 1 for a four-year term ending December 31, 2024 (Council appointment)
- Appointment of Simone Tarver to Position 3 for the remainder of a four-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Appointment of Kevin Sylvester to Position 5 for a four-year term ending December 31, 2024 (Commission appointment)

## **Transportation Board**

 Appointment of Gracie Geremia to Position 2 for a six-year term ending December 31, 2026

 Appointment of Andrea DePaolo to Position 5 for remainder of a sixyear term ending December 31, 2023

Council members thanked newly appointed board members for their willingness to serve the City and community.

Council Member Bader expressed concern about the disproportionate number of appointments to applicants residing north of 41<sup>st</sup> Street.

Mayor Franklin stated that all applicants were interviewed, and staff worked to ensure there was good geographic, ethic, racial, and life experience diversity. She noted that for some of the commissions, there was a struggle to get applicants from south Everett; however, staff will continue to recruit and make communities aware of opportunities.

Council Member Murphy suggested that council members, during neighborhood visits as part of Council liaison assignments, could serve as ambassadors over the next few months to raise the awareness about serving on boards and commissions.

Roll was called with all council members voting yes.

#### Motion carried.

#### COUNCIL

Council Member Vogeli reported on her attendance at the Westmont Holly Neighborhood meeting last evening.

Council Member Roberts expressed appreciation to Council Member Tuohy for the tremendous work she accomplished as Council President in 2020. He reported on his ongoing Climate Action Plan (CAP) work with Nick Harper and Kimberley Cline. Council Member Roberts also provided an update on Sound Transit realignment.

Council Member Moore thanked Council Member Tuohy for her 2020 service as Council President, noting she brought calm and comfort to citizens. He also congratulated newly-elected Council President Stonecipher.

Council Member Tuohy reported on her attendance at the Cultural Arts Commission meeting yesterday. She thanked fellow colleagues for their kind remarks.

Council Member Bader apologized to fellow council members for not providing notice prior to his comments last week regarding the formation of a regional fire authority (RFA). He stated he would be more proactive as study on this topic continues.

Council Member Murphy stated that it was a dark day on January 6 when a riotous mob of domestic terrorists stormed and attacked our Nation's Capitol. He stated our hearts go out to families of those who lost their lives in the attack. He noted he was proud of congressional leaders from both parties who went back into the chambers to ratify the will of the people in connection of the 2020 presidential election. Council Member Murphy recited the Pledge of Allegiance in response to the number of months missed due to conducting virtual Council meetings.

Council Member Stonecipher expressed shock over what occurred in the Nation's Capitol over the past week and expressed sympathy to those affected by violence. She reported on her attendance at the Park Board meeting last night, and announced a Park Board virtual retreat is scheduled for Saturday, January 23, 2021, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

#### **ADMINISTRATION UPDATE**

Deputy Mayor Nick Harper had no administrative update.

## **CITY ATTORNEY**

City Attorney David Hall thanked Council Member Tuohy for her work as Council President in 2020. He also stated he looked forward to working with President Stonecipher during the coming year.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Deb Williams, Council, stated two citizens provided written comments regarding Council Bill 2101-02 relating to the Larch and Fir Street vacation.

Peter Newland, an Everett resident representing the C2 Property Preservation Group, expressed concerns over the Everett Station District Alliance receiving a grant from the Washington State Department of Commerce to consider redevelopment plans for city-owned properties and calling the effort "out-sourcing" of City of Everett long-range planning.

Considerable discussion ensued. Council members asked for a full briefing on the grant, study, the City's role in planning activities, how this planning effort corresponds with the work in this area that was just completed with the Everett Metro plan, and logical steps to be taken after the group's plan is complete. Council President Stonecipher said she would work with Administration to schedule a briefing. Council Member Tuohy also requested a copy of the grant.

Deputy Mayor Harper stated Administration did not sponsor and is not a co-signer on the grant application; therefore, there is no conflict between the interests of Administration or the Council. He also provided a snapshot of details surrounding the grant.

City Attorney Hall clarified the planning process is not "outsourcing" of the City's usual planning process; it is an independent process.

## **CONSENT ITEMS:**

President Stonecipher announced that Consent Item No. 4 was moved to the Action Item agenda to allow for Council discussion.

Moved by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Council Member Vogeli, to approve the following consent items:

## **RESOLUTION – CLAIMS**

To adopt Resolution No. 7600 authorizing claims against the City of Everett in the amount of \$1,053,761.91 for the period of December 26, 2020, through December 31, 2020.

## AGREEMENT - 4000 RAILWAY PARCEL CLEANUP

To authorize the Mayor to sign the Settlement Agreement and Release with the Chubb Insurers.

## BID CALL - CONSTRUCTION OF RESERVOIR 2 REPLACEMENT PROJECT

To authorize Call for Bids for the construction of the Reservoir 2 Replacement Project.

## AGREEMENT – GRANT FOR WOOD CREEK OPEN SPACE PLANNING

Moved to Action Item agenda.

# AGREEMENT AMENDED – LEASE FOR SPACE AT 2722 COLBY AVENUE POLICE EVIDENCE ROOM

To authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 6 to the Lease Agreement with JB Everett LLC for space at 2722 Colby Avenue for the Police Evidence Room.

## RESOLUTION – APPLICANT AGENT DESIGNATION FOR WASHINGTON HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

To adopt Resolution No. 7601 designating Applicant Agent for Washington Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Application.

## MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT – 2021-2025 WATER SUPPLY FORUM

To authorize the Mayor to sign the 2021-2025 Water Supply Forum Memorandum of Agreement.

## AGREEMENT AMENDED – WFP FILER PILOT TECHNICAL SUPPORT

To authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 2 to the Water Filtration Plant Filer Pilot Technical Support Professional Services Agreement with CHM2Hill Engineering Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Jacobs in the amount of \$67,000 for a total contract amount of \$122,500.

Roll was called with all council members voting yes.

Motion carried.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

## AGREEMENT – GRANT FOR WOOD CREEK OPEN SPACE PLANNING

Moved by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Council Member Vogeli, to authorize the Mayor to sign the SCPP Grant Agreement in the form generally provided with Snohomish County for the funding of the Wood Creek Open Space Planning.

Council Member Vogeli expressed interest in learning more about how this action went from a possible City sale of surplus land to possible park land.

Council Member Roberts thanked County Councilmember Megan Dunn, Mayor Franklin, Deputy Mayor Harper, Paul McKee and other public works staff, as well as Forterra. He noted this grant will allow completion of some of the work that is essential to evaluation of the property.

Council Member Tuohy thanked neighborhood citizens who brought this to the attention of the Council when the property was proposed as surplus.

Council Member Bader asked if the study also considers the City's obligation to the Growth Management Act to accommodate a certain level of growth.

Council Member Murphy expressed concern that the City cannot take surplus property that is owned by the Utility Fund without making the Utility Fund whole as a fiduciary responsibility to rate payers.

Deputy Mayor Harper presented information regarding the Wood Creek property area, which was originally designated as a water supply for Everett and belongs to the City Utility Division. He noted the property has not been used for its intended purpose for approximately 100 years, and therefore was placed on the surplus list until concern was expressed by neighbors and habitat advocates. He stated the study will involve Forterra (Cascade Land Conservancy) and look at geotechnical and environmental issues with the property.

Roll was called with all council members voting yes.

## Motion carried.

## BID CALL AND CONTRACT AWARD — 2021 BIOSOLIDS AND BACKWASH SOLIDS REMOVAL PROJECT

Moved by Council Member Bader, seconded by Council Member Moore, to ratify prior Call for Bids and award contract for the 2021 Biosolids and Backwash Solids Removal Project to Merrell Bros Inc. in the amount of \$1,038,792.30 including Washington State sales tax.

Council Member Murphy noted the contract amount is about \$120,000 less than the engineer's estimate.

Roll was called with all council members voting yes.

## Motion carried.

## **COUNCIL BRIEFING AGENDA:**

## COUNCIL BILL 2101-01

## **FIRST READING:**

AN ORDINANCE establishing Everett Utilities rates for 2021-2024 and repealing Ordinances 3529-17 and 3549-17

Presented by Ryan Sass and Matt Welborn, Public Works

## COUNCIL BILL 2101-02

## **FIRST READING:**

AN ORDINANCE vacating Larch and Fir Streets lying South of 14<sup>th</sup> Street and North of 15<sup>th</sup> Street in the plat of Baker Heights

Presented by Paul McKee, Real Property

## COUNCIL BILL 2101-03

## FIRST READING:

AN ORDINANCE granting a Telecommunications Franchise to Level 3 Communications

Presented by Tim Benedict, Legal

The City Council meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

City Clerk

Read and approved as printed.

Council President